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1. SUMMARY: CLOSING OF BELGIAN PLANT OF THE
BADGER COMPANY MAY BECOME TEST CASE UNDER OECD
GUIDELINES FOR MULTINATIONALS. NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN
BADGER REPS AND THE UNIONS WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE
HAGUE NEXT WEEK. END SUMMARY.

2. ACCORDING TO FIET GENERAL SECRETARY HERBERT MAIER,
HE WILL LEAD UNION SIDE IN NEGOTIATIONS IN THE HAGUE
NEXT WEEK BETWEEN REPS OF THE BADGER COMPANY AND THE
BELGIAN CLERICAL, TECHNICAL AND SUPERVISORY WORKERS
(SETCA/BBTK), A FIET AFFILIATE. AT ISSUE IS THE
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COMPENSATION (APPROXIMATELY 250 MILLION BELGIAN FRANCS)
DUE TO EMPLOYEES UNDER BELGIAN LAW AS RESULT OF
CLOSING BADGER PLANT IN BELGIUM ON JANUARY 14.
COMPANY ALLEGES IT CAN PAY ONLY 100 MILLION BF
TO THE 250 WORKERS AFFECTED BY THE PLANT CLOSING.
THE UNIONS AND THE BELGIAN GOVERNMENT TAKE THE
POSITION THAT BADGER OR ITS PARENT CORPORATION,

RAYTHEON, CAN MAKE UP THE DIFFERENCE. THE MEETING AT THE HAGUE WAS ARRANGED BY MAIER IN CONVERSATIONS WITH BADGER HEADQUARTERS IN CAMBRIDGE, MASS. REPS OF A WCL-AFFILIATED UNION REPRESENTING APPROXIMATELY 100 OF THE WORKERS, WILL ALSO PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING NEXT WEEK.

3. AT A MEETING OF THE UNION SIDE IN GENEVA, FEBRUARY 4, IT WAS AGREED THAT IF NO SOLUTION WAS FOUND BY MARCH 30, FIET WOULD ASK TUAC TO PUT THE MATTER ON THE AGENDA OF THE OECD COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT AND MULTINATIONAL ENTERPRISES. TUAC GENERAL SECRETARY HENRI BERNARD PARTICIPATED IN THE FEBRUARY 4 MEETING. CATTO

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